

REMARKS

Claims 1-37 were in the originally filed application. The Examiner has required restriction.

Applicants hereby elects Group II for initial examination in this application, corresponding to originally filed claims 29-32. An early and favorable action is earnestly requested.

Applicant has cancelled the non-elected claims 1-28 and 33-37, without prejudice to prosecuting them in the future in continuation and/or divisional applications. New claims 38-48 have been added.

It is believed that no additional fee is required for the new claims. However, should there be a deficiency of fees, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our deposit account No. 50-2298, in the name of Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps.

Respectfully submitted,

4/13/04
Date



Mitchell P. Brook
Attorney for Applicant(s)
Reg. No. 32,967
c/o LUCE, FORWARD, HAMILTON
& SCRIPPS LLP
11988 El Camino Real, Ste. 200
San Diego, California 92130
Telephone No.: (858) 720-6300